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### WHITE PAPER – ALTERNATIVE FINAL COVER FOR DISPOSAL AREA C, LOPEZ CANYON SANITARY LANDFILL, LAKEVIEW TERRACE, CALIFORNIA (FILE NO. 69-068)

Dear Mr. Dobrowolski:

Reference is made to a document entitled *White Paper – Alternative Final Cover For Disposal Area C, Lopez Canyon Sanitary Landfill, Lakeview Terrace, California* (White Paper), dated July 19, 2007, that you submitted to this Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) on behalf of the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation (BOS). On August 21, 2007, you submitted a revised version of the White Paper to the Regional Board in response to some verbal comments from Regional Board staff. The purpose of the White Paper is to request the Regional Board to consider an alternative final cover system that is different from the prescriptive final cover system required in California Code of Regulations, Title 27 (27 CCR), for Area C of the Lopez Canyon Landfill, which is owned and operated by BOS. We have reviewed the revised White Paper and have the following comments:

1. In accordance with Section 20080(b) of 27 CCR, the Regional Board will consider any alternative design of final cover system, as long as the proposed alternative design meets the requirement of Section 20080(c) of 27 CCR; and
2. Because the Regional Board Executive Officer has already approved an amended Final Closure Plan for the site that includes a prescriptive final cover system for Area C, BOS must submit a revised Final Closure Plan to propose an alternative final cover system. The revised Final Closure Plan must include, among other necessary information, a detailed description of the proposed final cover system, adequate justifications for using the alternative final cover system, and quality control measures that will ensure the alternative final cover system to be constructed with applicable Federal and State regulations. The alternative final cover system must not be constructed unless the Executive Office approves the revised Final Closure Plan.

Should you have any questions, please contact Dr. Wen Yang at (213) 620-2253.

Sincerely,

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Groundwater Permitting and Landfills Unit

Cc: Kelly Gharios, Bureau of Sanitation, City of Los Angeles

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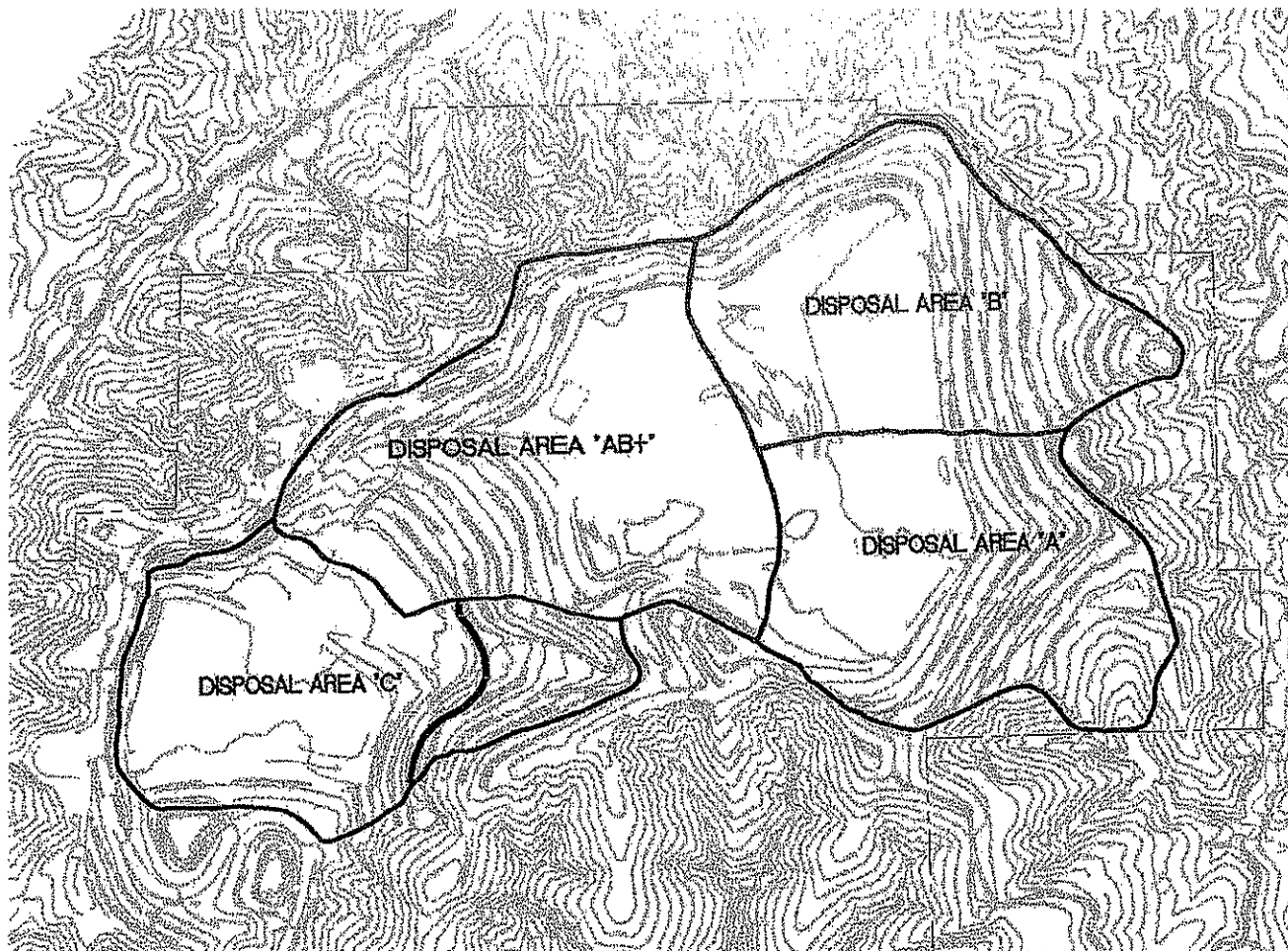


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